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1.

ENCOURAGING NEWS

THAT ALESSANDRI ADVISORS HAD AFTER LONG BATTLE DECIDED  
WAGE VIGOROUS ANTI-ALLENDE PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN BEGINN-  
ING IN "ABOUT 25 DAYS." (THIS MAY WELL HAVE BEEN RESULT  
OF EFFORTS PERSUADE ALESSANDRI

THAT AVOIDING

IDENTIFICATION OF MAIN ENEMY WAS DANGEROUSLY SELF-  
DEFEATING). CONTRIBUTING FACTOR IN DECISION WAS  
ALLEGED INFO THAT ALLENDE FORCES PLAN WELL-FINANCED  
PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN TO BEGIN IN "ABOUT 40 DAYS."  
WE ARE WAITING HOPEFULLY.

2.

ALESSANDRI STILL BELIEVES WILL  
GET MORE THAN 50 PER CENT VOTE AND THAT IN EXTREME SITUATION  
ARMY WOULD COME TO HIS SUPPORT. NEITHER OF THESE BELIEFS  
SHARED BY STATION. THOUGH HAS

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RECENTLY BEEN CONSIDERING WHAT IT WOULD TAKE TO GET ARMY TO MOVE.

3. IN RECENT TALK WITH PRESIDENT FREI, LATTER TOLD CONCERNED ALLENDE WILL WIN. FREI DOES NOT BELIEVE TOMIC WILL GET MORE THAN 400,000 VOTES OUT OF 3 MILLION TO BE CAST. HE SEES ALLENDE WITH ABOUT 1.3 MILLION AND ALESSANDRI WITH ABOUT SAME DEPENDING ON TOMIC VOTE. FREI'S REMARKS ABOUT TOMIC WERE SCATHING, AS USUAL.

4. AWARE ALLENDE NEGOTIATING PURCHASE 5 SPECIAL MICROPHONES IN GERMANY WHICH WORN CLOSE TO VOCAL CORDS TO USE IN PUBLIC SPEAKING IN CONJUNCTION WITH REGULAR ADDRESS SYSTEM. PURPOSE THESE MICROPHONES IS DISUGISE FACT THAT ONE SIDE OF ALLENDE FACE SLIGHTLY PARALYSED DUE RECENT RECURRENCE CEREBRAL HEMORRHAGE ("DERRAME CEREBRAL").

SAME SITUATION HAD ARISEN IN 1964 DURING CAMPAIGN. WE WILL CONTINUE CHECKING AND ADVISE.

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